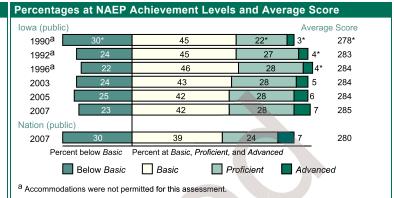
The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) assesses mathematics in five content areas: number properties and operations; measurement; geometry; data analysis and probability; and algebra. The NAEP mathematics scale ranges from 0 to 500.

Overall Mathematics Results for Iowa

- In 2007, the average scale score for eighth-grade students in Iowa was 285. This was not significantly different from their average score in 2005 (284) and was higher than their average score in 1990 (278).
- lowa's average score (285) in 2007 was higher than that of the nation's public schools (280).
- Of the 52 states and other jurisdictions that participated in the 2007 eighth-grade assessment, students' average scale score in lowa was higher than those in 23 jurisdictions, not significantly different from those in 21 jurisdictions, and lower than those in 7 jurisdictions.²
- The percentage of students in Iowa who performed at or above the NAEP *Proficient* level was 35 percent in 2007. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2005 (34 percent) and was greater than that in 1990 (25 percent).
- The percentage of students in Iowa who performed at or above the NAEP *Basic* level was 77 percent in 2007. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2005 (75 percent) and was greater than that in 1990 (70 percent).

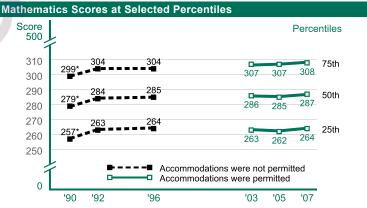


NOTE: The NAEP grade 8 mathematics achievement levels correspond to the following scale points: Below *Basic*, 261 or lower; *Basic*, 262–298; *Proficient*, 299–332; *Advanced*, 333 or above.

Performance of NAEP Reporting Groups in Iowa: 2007						
	Percent	Average	Percent	Percent of students at or above		Percent
Reporting groups	of students	score	below Basic	Basic	Proficient	Advanced
Male	51	287 ↑	21	79	37	8
Female	49	284	24	76	33	6
White	88	288	19	81	38	7
Black	4	257	60	40	11	3
Hispanic	6	261	50	50	13	1
Asian/Pacific Islander	2	‡	‡	‡	‡	‡
American Indian/Alaska Native	#	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
Eligible for National School Lunch Program	30	270	39	61	20	3
Not eligible for National School Lunch Program	70	292	16	84	42	9

Average Score Gaps Between Selected Groups

- In 2007, male students in Iowa had an average score that was not significantly different from that of female students. In 1990, the average score for male students was higher than that of female students by 5 points.
- In 2007, Black students had an average score that was lower than that of White students by 31 points. Data are not reported for Black students in 1990, because reporting standards were not met.
- In 2007, Hispanic students had an average score that was lower than that
 of White students by 28 points. Data are not reported for Hispanic students
 in 1990, because reporting standards were not met.
- In 2007, students who were eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch, a proxy for poverty, had an average score that was lower than that of students who were not eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch by 22 points. This performance gap was wider than that of 1996 (15 points).
- In 2007, the score gap between students at the 75th percentile and students at the 25th percentile was 44 points. In 1990, the score gap between students at the 75th percentile and students at the 25th percentile was 42 points.



NOTE: Scores at selected percentiles on the NAEP mathematics scale indicate how well students at lower, middle, and higher levels performed.

Rounds to zero.

* Significantly different from 2007.

- ‡ Reporting standards not met.
- ↑ Significantly higher than 2005. ↓ Significantly lower than 2005.
- ¹ Comparisons (higher/lower/narrower/wider/not different) are based on statistical tests. The .05 level was used for testing statistical significance. Statistical comparisons are calculated on the basis of unrounded scale scores or percentages. Comparisons across jurisdictions and comparisons with the nation or within a jurisdiction across years may be affected by differences in exclusion rates for students with disabilities (SD) and English language learners (ELL). The exclusion rates for SD and ELL in lowa were 2 percent and "percentage rounds to zero" in 2007, respectively. For more intormation on NAEP significance testing see

http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/mathematics/interpret-results.asp#statistical.

- ² "Jurisdictions" refers to states and the District of Columbia and the Department of Defense Education Activity schools.
- NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals because of rounding and because the "Information not available" category for the National School Lunch Program, which provides free and reduced-price lunches, and the "Unclassified" category for race/ethnicity are not displayed. Visit http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/states/ for additional results and detailed information.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences, National Center for Education Statistics, National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), various years, 1990–2007 Mathematics Assessments.